MR. G. B. E. TRUSCOTT (*Chief Engineer, Roads, Buildings and Irrigation*): There was no surrender of grants on roads during 1110 and 1111.

Dredger for Alleppey Port.

181. *MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): Will the Government be pleased to state:

(*a*) whether the sea-going Grab Dredger ordered last year for Alleppey Port is ready for use;

(*b*) if the answer to part (a) is in the affirmative, whether the staff for the same has been fixed and appointments made;

(*c*) whether there are Travancoreans duly qualified for the post of dredging master and if so, their names and qualifications;

(*d*) if the answer to parts (a) and (b) are in the negative, the reasons for the delay in making the full use of the Dredger purchased at such heavy cost; and

(*e*) whether the final test of the fitted-up machinery has been conducted and if so the person by whom it was conducted with his special qualifications for the same?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Secretary to Government*): (*a*) No.

(*b*) and (*c*) These do not arise.

(*d*) The Commercial Canal had to be deepened to take the Dredger to deep water.

(*e*) No.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): With reference to the answer to part (*d*), may I know whether the Commercial Canal has been deepened?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Yes, Sir, and the dredger has been taken to Cochin for trials.

MR. A. S. DAMODARAN ASAN (*Mavelikara*): With reference to the answer to part (*e*), may I know whether the machinery has been fitted up?

MR. K. MADHAVA KURUP (*Ag. Secretary to Government*): Yes, it has been fitted up, and the testing is now being carried on by the Workshop Superintendent.

Appointment of District Munsiffs and Judges.

182. *MR. K. M. KRISHNAN (*Ambalapuzha II*): Will the Government be pleased to lay on the table a caste-war statement showing:

(*a*) the appointments of District Munsifs from the time when the communal rotation was first introduced;

(*b*) the present number of (*i*) District Munsiffs, (*ii*) Second Judges, and (*iii*) District Judges: and

(*c*) the present number of District Judges and Second Judges recruited from the bar in the years 1108, 1109 and 1111?

RAO BAHADUR RAJYASEVAINRATA DR. N. KUNJAN PILLAI (*Chief Secretary to Government*): (*a*), (*b*) and (*c*) * Statements marked I, II and III giving, respectively, the required information are laid on the table.

*Vide Appendix III—pages 630 to 632.

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